

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

ENDOWMENTS DEPARTMENT - Appointment of Trust Boards to various temples – Proper enquiry of the antecedents of the names proposed – Further instructions – Orders- Issued.

REVENUE (ENDOWMENTS.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 322

Dated:25-02-2012.

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ORDER:

The Commissioner, Endowments Department is informed that Sections 15, 17, 18 and 19 of the A.P.Charitable & Hindu Religious Institutions & Endowments Act, 1987 deals with appointment of Board of Trustees i.e, procedure for making appointments of trustees and their term, qualification of trusteeship and disqualification for trusteeship. Rules have also been framed wherein the competent authority has to cause a thorough check of the antecedents of the names proposed, on the basis of which, further action is taken as per procedure including publication of notification calling for applications as first step. Recent Hon'ble High Court judgments clearly require that a thorough, detailed and comprehensive check of the antecedents has to be done prior to appointment.

2. It is also informed that almost all temples deal with cash, jewellery and antique idols etc.

3. Government after taking the above facts into consideration have decided that the Department must cause a proper antecedent verification enquiry in future as per the Endowments Act and Rules through the concerned District Collector who may call for a report from a Committee comprising of the Revenue Divisional Officer / Deputy Superintendent of Police / Concerned Endowment Department Deputy Commissioner, who is Member – Convener.

4. The Commissioner of Endowments Department is required to take further necessary action .

5. All District Collectors are also requested to take further necessary action in forming 'Committees' in all Districts for the above mentioned purpose.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

CHITRA RAMCHANDRAN
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The Commissioner of Endowments Department, A.P., Hyderabad
All the District Collectors.

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